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Good morning State Partners:

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the PFAS Community Engagement Event to be held on July 25, 2018 at the Hatboro-Horsham High School in Horsham, PA (899 Horsham Road, Horsham, PA). Our Regional Administrator, Cosmo Servidio, will be moderating the panel on which you will participate. This morning I will be sending out a Doodle poll to find the best time next week to hold a quick conference call to review the purpose of the panel, plan the order of presentations, cover presentation possibilities and answer any questions you may have.

Attached is the full, draft agenda for the day. As discussed previously, there will be a working session from 10:00 am through 3:00 pm. Your panel of State government agencies is slated to run from 12:15-1 pm. In that 45 min period, we need to get through representatives from all five states, so timing will be tight. To make it a bit easier, I am proposing that if your state is sending representatives from more than one state agency that you combine your presentations into one to help keep on time and to make it easier for transitioning from one group to another. The entire day will be very tight, so I apologize for the short length of time we are providing.

You can use a Powerpoint presentation, but that is not necessary. You are welcome to speak without the visual aide. If you plan on using a Powerpoint presentation, please send me your presentation by COB Thursday, July 19th so we can get them all loaded onto a PC and ready to go for the 25th. If you want to say more than the time allows for the panel

discussion, you can certainly [register on-line](http://www.regulations.gov) for a three minute time slot during the listening session later the same day. Also, you can provide written comments to the Agency through the on-line docket. Submit written comments at <http://www.regulations.gov>: enter Docket ID No. EPA-OW-2018-0270.

We currently have close to 200 people registered to attend and a little over 50 people registered to speak during the listening session with nearly two more weeks for registration, that number may climb significantly. Due to the high number of speakers for the listening session, we had to compress the working session a little bit to try to fit everyone in and be able to vacate the school before 10:00 pm. I apologize for the short amount of time afforded you. The agenda may shift around a bit in terms of lengthening or shortening the times allotted to each portion of the working session depending on how many people sign up to speak at the listening session.

We are looking at each group having about 6 minutes to speak/present. The panel discussions are open to the public and press. The agenda does not allow for a Q&A session with the audience, so we will have the full 45 minutes for presentations. As an FYI, press will be present. Several representatives have already registered. As you come and go for the sessions, you may be approached by the media for an interview or to answer questions. It is up to you to choose to speak with the media or not.

Here's a proposed schedule for that hour:

Dr. Rachel Levine, Secretary, PADOH	6 min
Panelist to be determined, PADEP	6 min
Tod Keyser, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control	6 min
Keith Mensch, Delaware Department of Health and Human Services	6 min
John Grace, Maryland Department of the Environment	6 min
Jeff Steers, Director of Central Operations, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality	6 min
Scott Mandirola, Deputy Secretary, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection	6 min

This leaves three minutes float time for the session. We will have tables either up on the stage in the High School auditorium or down in the Orchestra area in front of the stage, depending on the how much room the stage set-up will allow.

This entire day is designed to allow state and local governments and citizens to provide input and feedback to EPA regarding PFAS in the environment. This input will be used by EPA to develop a national PFAS management strategy which EPA is planning to develop and release by the end of this calendar year. You can certainly use your time to update the audience and EPA on activities your organization has conducted related to PFAS. EPA is interested in hearing about your challenges related to PFAS contamination, your needs moving forward and your recommendations to the Agency related to any aspect of PFAS in the environment. Some suggested areas for you to cover are: communication about PFAS, identifying PFAS in the community, needs related to detecting and remediating PFAS contamination and long-term use and management of these compounds. You are welcome to cover any other area of importance to you and your organization.

I will send out a Doodle Poll today to try to identify a time that will be open for the majority of you to hold a quick conference call. Once we identify that time and if you are not able to attend, feel free to have someone else from your organization attend the call. Or, I will be happy to have a separate call with you at a different time.

Thanks, again, for your willingness to participate and watch for an email with the Doodle Poll link. In the meantime, don't hesitate to call me with any questions. Below are some links to EPA web pages regarding this event, the first one held in New England, future events as well as information about the PFAS Leadership Summit held in May 2018.

As an FYI, a *Federal Register* notice was published about this event earlier this week. That had an incorrect address for the location of the event. The correct location is listed in the attached draft agenda and above.

Sincerely,

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:Web page for the Horsham, PA event:
<https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-community-engagement-horsham-pa>

Press release on the Exeter, NH event:
<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-seeks-public-input-national-plan-manage-pfas-first-community-engagement-event>

Exeter, NH Community Engagement Web site with additional details:
<https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-community-engagement-exeter-nh>

PFAS Community Engagement General Web page:
<https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-community-engagement>

PFAS National Leadership Summit information:
<https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-national-leadership-summit-and-engagement>